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MEXICO.

Report from Vera Cruz—A death from yellow fever.

VERA CRUZ, MEXICO, April 24, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following report for the week ended April 20, 1901:

Another death from yellow fever occurred during the week, a prominent American of this city. The patient had lived in Vera Cruz eleven years, and more than twenty years in Mexico. About three months ago he made a short business trip to New York, and had been back but a short time before he was taken ill. His sickness was at first diagnosed as pernicious malaria, and it is probable that he suffered a mixed infection. Three days before the end, suppression of urine and other symptoms characteristic in fatal cases developed, the patient dying in uræmic convulsions.

The long residence, covering a period of eleven years, in a place where the disease has been prevailing before an attack of the disease is rather unusual. The Havana records, I think, give but 2 cases, 1 reported by P. A. Surg. M. J. Rosenau in 1899, and the other recently reported by Surg. A. A. Glennan.

The Ward Line steamer *Havana* left for New York via Havana with 69 passengers.

Respectfully,

D. E. DUDLEY,

Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

[Inclosure.]

Mortality report for the week ended April 20, 1901.

Yellow fever.....	1	Tuberculosis.....	18
Malaria.....	1	Deaths from causes.....	39

Reports from Progreso.

PROGRESO, MEXICO, April 20, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report for the week ended April 20:

There were 2 cases of smallpox reported during the week, but no deaths. Seven deaths were recorded from all causes. There have been no deaths from contagious diseases for four weeks.

The epidemic in Merida continues to diminish, but 3 or 4 deaths are still reported every day from smallpox. The general health condition of Progreso is very good. There has been no sickness of any kind in the shipping for the past three weeks.

Respectfully,

S. H. HODGSON,

Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

PROGRESO, MEXICO, April 26, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report for the week ended April 26, 1901:

From contagious diseases there were no deaths, and only 5 deaths reported from all causes. There were no cases of contagious diseases of any kind reported, the 2 cases of varioloid that were reported the week previous having recovered. During the week I inspected 7 vessels and

issued a bill of health to 1 vessel without inspection. The vessel not inspected was the Spanish steamship *Berenguer el Grande*, from Spain via Havana, proceeding to New Orleans via Vera Cruz. The vessel was anchored about 5 miles offshore, and the only means that I had of boarding her was by a small sailboat, and as a gale of wind was blowing and a high sea running, I declined to make the trip, and issued a bill of health setting forth the facts on the face of it.

The mail steamers have a steam tug for tender, which is tolerably safe for boarding purposes, but the other steamers rely upon small sailboats for attention, and they are unreliable and dangerous.

The larger part of the vessels leaving here come to the docks for cargo, where they are easily boarded.

Respectfully,

S. H. HODGSON,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

NICARAGUA.

Reports from Bluefields—Fruit port.

BLUEFIELDS, NICARAGUA, April 25, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith sanitary report for the week ended April 24, 1901:

The following vessels were inspected, clearing for ports in the United States: April 18, Norwegian steamship *Alabama*, Gjemery, master; crew, 18; passengers, 11; Marine Medical Officer W. G. Thigpen, Louisiana State board of health; cargo, fruit; cleared for New Orleans direct. April 21, Norwegian steamship *Hiram*, Pedersen, master; crew, 15; passengers, 6; Marine Medical Officer Thomas S. Adams, Louisiana State board of health; cargo, fruit; cleared for New Orleans direct.

There has been 1 death in the town of Bluefields during the past week, which occurred on the 24th instant, a colored female, aged 86, from senile debility.

The town of Bluefields proper, the San Paulo Hospital, and adjacent country, continue to remain without suspicion as to the existence of any contagious or infectious disease.

I inclose herewith 2 U. S. Marine-Hospital certificates, triplicates; also 16 U. S. Marine-Hospital passenger certificates (duplicates).

Respectfully,

WM. H. CARSON,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Mortality statistics of plague and smallpox for January, 1901.

MANILA, P. I., March 24, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith mortality statistics of Manila for the month of January, 1901, compiled and furnished by the board of health.

Respectfully,

J. C. PERRY,
*Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.,
Chief Quarantine Officer for the Philippine Islands.*

The SURGEON GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.